applied during the period January-December, 1987 is approximately Rs. 2.8 crores.

(c) to (e) The Government is aware of the news item published in the Telegraph of Calcutta on 28.12.1987. However, no instance of officers and workers of Durgapur Steel Plant selling the coke fractions in the open market has come to the notice of the Government. Recently, Durgapur Steel Plant have detected some blank coke cards with forged signatures which apparently have been printed unauthorisedly. However, fin the cards no entry of supply and receipt of coke has been seen.

With a view to exercising stricter and effective control, all the relevant data regarding thr> issue of coke cards to employees are being computerised so that quicker and regular scrutiny of issues is done.

Seeds and other assistance to Farmers

1710. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) Whether Government have any programme for providing seeds and manure at cheaper rates and other assistance to the farmers in the States to increase agricultural production; and

(b) if so, the details of such assistance given to the farmers in the State of Rajasthan during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The details ' of assistance given to Rajasthan by the Government of India during the last 3 years under various Schemes are gliven in the attached statement.. (See below)

Statement

Details of assistance given to Rajasthan during the last three years

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No.	Name of the Scheme	Grant-in-aid released		
		1984-85	1985-86	1986-87
1	2	3	4	5
1	National Watershed Development Programme for Rainfed Agriculture	..	..	99.61
2	National Oilseeds Development Programme	123.32	80.55	51.83
3	National Pulses Development Programme	18.60	23.79	27.53
4	Rice Minikit Scheme	..	..	0.12
5	Wheat Minikit Scheme	6.25	1.86	3.00
6	Millets & Maize Minikit Scheme	5.96	9.41	9.60
7	Assistance to Small and Marginal Farmers	497.58	325.68	88.50
8	Intensive Cotton Development Programme	23.56	14.16	..
9	Centrally Sponsored Scheme in establishment of Farmer's Agro Service Centres for Custom Hiring and popularisation of improved Agricultural implements of handtools	4.64	2.39	18.04
10	Centrally Sponsored Scheme for Control of Pests and Disease of Agricultural Importance	6.78	5.91	5.70